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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Election Species Requirement mailed November 25, 2005, Applicants elect Species A (Figs. 1-5). Claim 1 is readable upon the elected species.

The election of species is made without traverse, except that Applicants note that claim 1 and 8 are generic.

An early and favorable action on the merits is requested. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

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